

REVISED AGENDA

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES INTERIM COMMITTEE

UTAH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, November 19, 2008 • 2:00 p.m. • Room C250, State Capitol

(Background materials are posted at <http://www.le.state.ut.us/asp/interim/Commit.asp?Year=2008&Com=INTHHS>. As they become available, additional materials will be mailed to committee members and posted at the same site.)

Approximate
Time Frame

- 2:00** **1. Committee Business**
- Call to order
 - Approval of the minutes of the October 15, 2008 meeting
- 2:05** **2. Expedited Partner Therapy**
The Committee will continue its review of draft legislation considered last month that would enable the use of expedited partner therapy as a means of treating certain sexually transmitted diseases.
- Representative Jennifer M. Seelig
- 2:20** **3. Pilot Program for Family Preservation Services**
At its October meeting, the Committee voted to extend for five years the sunset date for the Pilot Program for Family Preservation Services (§62A-5-103.2; see §63I-1-262 for repealer). The Committee will consider draft legislation to address the extension.
- Mr. Thomas R. Vaughn, Associate General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel
- 2:25** **4. Medical Malpractice Arbitration Agreements — Sunset Review**
Utah Code Annotated Section 78B-3-421 is scheduled for repeal in 2009 (see §63I-1-278 for repealer). The Committee will review the statute and determine whether it should be repealed, reauthorized, or reauthorized with amendments, and whether it should continue to be subject to automatic repeal.
- Mr. Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel
 - Utah Association for Justice (formerly Utah Trial Lawyers Association)
 - Utah Medical Association
 - Utah Hospitals and Health Systems Association
- 3:10** **5. A Performance Audit of Davis Behavioral Health**
The Committee will consider the findings of the legislative audit of Davis Behavioral Health released in July 2008. According to the legislative auditor,
"This audit found that the 2004 corporate restructuring of Davis Behavioral Health (DBH) was costly for the organization. Instead of generating excess revenues, the new corporations cost DBH about \$850,000. DBH should examine its continuing operation of the functions of the new corporations to determine how they can be more efficiently run. We also found that there is

a potential conflict of interest in DBH's IT oversight, but pending contract amendments could remedy this problem. The IT system, despite a difficult start, is improving and becoming more accepted."

- Office of the Legislative Auditor General
- Davis Behavioral Health
- Other invited witnesses

3:45 6. Determination of Criminal Conduct

Last year the Department of Health agreed to work with the Committee's staff to determine whether statutes authorizing the Department to determine by rule what constitutes criminal conduct should be replaced with statutory definitions of criminal conduct. The Committee will review draft legislation developed and recommended by the Administrative Rules Review Committee, and supported by the Department of Health, that amends the Department's and other state agencies' authority to determine by rule what constitutes criminal conduct.

- Mr. Thomas R. Vaughn, Associate General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel
- Department of Health

3:55 7. Assertive Community Treatment Team Pilot Program

- Representative Carol Spackman Moss
- Other invited witnesses

4:10 8. Licensed Direct-entry Midwives — Annual Report

As provided by statute, the Committee will receive an annual outcomes report from the Licensed Direct-entry Midwife Board.

- Ms. Holly Richardson and Ms. Suzanne Smith, Licensed Direct-entry Midwife Board

4:20 9. Family Support Centers

The Panel will receive a report from family support centers on the shortage of capacity to meet the demand for nursery respite and crisis services.

- Ms. Sharon Anderson, Executive Director, Family Connection Center

4:30 10. Connecting People Seeking Health Care Coverage with Public Programs

The Utah Association of Health Underwriters will discuss its efforts to create an Internet-based system that promotes competition among commercial health insurers and directs individuals seeking health insurance to public programs when they do not qualify for commercial coverage.

- Mr. Ernie Sweat, President-elect, Utah Association of Health Underwriters
- Mr. Mike Oliphant, BenefitsMangager.net

4:45 11. Local Health Department Funding

As follow-up to its August meeting with the Political Subdivisions Interim Committee,

the Committee will receive a written report on local health department duties and funding sources.

- Mr. Gary Edwards, Director, Salt Lake Valley Health Department
- Mr. Dave Cunningham, Director, Southeastern District Health Department
- Utah Department of Health

4:50 12. Adoption

The Committee will consider draft legislation that would amend various provisions of the Utah Adoption Act.

- Representative Sheryl L. Allen

5:00 13. Adjourn